



Figure 54. Number of dealers, fishermen, and vessels participating in the North Carolina peeler blue crab commercial fishery from 1994 to 2002.

Table 70. Landings, trips, and CPUE¹ for peeler blue crabs in North Carolina from 1994 to 2002.

Year	Dealers	Fishermen	Vessels	Pounds	Trips	CPUE
1994	105	749	812	642,238	14,181	45.3
1995	132	916	1,220	724,442	19,522	37.1
1996	147	1,036	1,337	878,382	21,116	41.6
1997	173	1,160	1,223	1,022,668	28,507	35.9
1998	174	1,054	1,116	976,097	31,425	31.1
1999	190	1,066	1,354	942,150	28,735	32.8
2000	181	988	1,215	998,971	32,301	30.9
2001	190	980	1,240	1,319,202	31,880	41.4
2002	178	901	1,071	718,897	25,558	28.1

¹ CPUE = Number of pounds/number of trips